

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

[0175] When an output demand for a document, drawing, or the like is given to a printer 1 for common use from a personal computer 2 which is LAN-connected, a list of documents, drawing, or the like stored in the printer
5 1 is displayed in a display section 2a of the personal computer 2 based on data transmitted from the printer 1, and when the document, drawing, or the like for which the output demand is given requires authentication by means of a password or the like, the document, drawing, or the like is outputted from the printer 1 only when an authentication process is normally made by the input
10 of a proper password.